



July 12, 2017

Action Item | 2017 Voters' Pamphlet Delivery

By **July 19**, please complete our quick survey regarding your voters' pamphlet delivery for the 2017 General Election. Only one response per county. [Click here!](#) Questions? Email voterspamphlet@sos.wa.gov. Thank you!

Open Mic Session Next Week!

New - [EHB 1507](#) requires detailed tracking of ballots issued and received electronically for both regular and UOCAVA voters. The legislation also affects the reporting of rejected ballots by reason. We recommend reviewing the bill, and in particular, see Section 1 (RCW 29A.60.235), subsection (1)(m) through (s) and subsection (2).

Join us **Tuesday, July 18 at 10 am** for a 30-minute opportunity to ask questions. This webcast is geared towards the election administrator who completes the Reconciliation Report Form. No need to [register](#) unless you'd like to receive an email confirmation for your records (.5 hour training credit). Here are the codes:

- Click to join: <https://www.join.me/864-562-006>.

- For audio: Select phone or internet audio connection. By phone, dial any phone number on the toolbar menu. Enter access code 864-562-006#.

Ballot Drop Boxes | Video

Many thanks to Pierce and Lewis Counties for co-hosting the Open Mic webcast with us! If you were unable to participate fully, consider viewing the [video recording](#) to receive full credit (1.5 hours).

Would you like to earn credit hours for co-hosting an Open Mic? Would you like to know how other counties solve a particular problem? Send us your [topic suggestions](#) for future webcasts.

UOCAVA Voters | International Service Alerts

Did you know that mail is not getting through to Guatemala or that mail may take longer to get to Cuba? The USPS posts international and domestic service alerts on their website. We encourage you to check the website before each UOCAVA ballot mailing. If you are mailing ballots to one of these countries, you may need to contact the voter about using an electronic ballot instead. Cuba, Guatemala, Syria, Ukraine, and Yemen all have alerts currently posted on the website.

Question of the Week: Seal Logs

Q: Are two seal logs required when transporting ballots from a ballot drop box?

A: Yes. When transporting ballots, [RCW 29A.40.160 \(13\)](#) requires a seal log to be placed in the transport container and a copy outside the transport container to accompany it to the counting center. This can be accomplished by either a two-part form or filling out two separate seal logs at the same time.

If you have questions about your procedures, contact ctsupport@sos.wa.gov.

Elections Conference | Track Your Hours

Because the conference is sponsored by the Washington State Association of County Auditors (WSACA), it qualifies as a sponsor-approved election-specific training. If you attended every session, **apply 15.5 hours** towards certification. As always, track your hours (and surplus hours).

Why wait? If you're already a certified administrator, start your registration and [renewal application](#) today! Enter your conference hours by selecting the link, "Add a training event."

Ballot Tabulation Demonstrations

Whatcom County will be hosting three vendor demonstrations in Bellingham for ClearBallot, Dominion, and Hart tabulation equipment. Anyone interested in learning more about these systems is invited to attend!

ClearBallot

Wednesday, July 19, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm (there will be a break for lunch)

Whatcom County Courthouse, 311 Grand Ave, County Council Chambers, 1st Floor

Dominion

Monday, August 28, 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Civic Center Building, 322 N Commercial St, Garden Level Conference Room

Hart InterCivic

Wednesday, August 30, 9:30 am - 4:00 pm (there will be a break for lunch)

Civic Center Building, 322 N Commercial St, Garden Level Conference Room

The first hour will be a general overview followed by a detailed, in-depth demonstration. You are welcome to attend as much or as little of the presentation as you wish. Please direct any questions to Matt Shepherd, Applications Specialist, at (360) 778-5112.

Job Opening

Snohomish County is hiring! They are looking for an Elections and Voter Registration Examiner to enter and update voter registrations; to serve voters and citizens in person, on the phone and through email; and to assist with conducting elections. Check out the [job posting](#) for a complete job description and application instructions. Recruitment closes July 23.

Get Out the Disability Vote Week | July 17-21

We have great county turnout so far for this year's Get Out the Disability Vote Week! TVW just finished our Get Out the Disability Vote Week PSA. Thank you so much to Valerie Walston and the Thurston County Elections staff for allowing us to shoot some footage at your location!



It's not too late to receive materials for this event, including the PSA. If you would like to participate or learn more about this event, please contact [Marlene White](#).

Elections Conference Recap

Last month's state Elections Conference was fantastic. We really enjoyed seeing so many of our friends and colleagues among the county auditors and their elections staffs from throughout Washington.

Several of our OSOS staffers gave presentations and took part in workshops. On Wednesday, we presented our annual elections awards.

Pierce County Auditor Julie Anderson was named County Auditor of the Year, King County Elections Director Julie Wise received the Voter Outreach Award, Mason County Auditor Karen Herr took home the Champion for Voters with Disabilities Award, and Cowlitz County Elections Manager Carolyn Fundingsland was given the County Elections Employee of the Year Award.

In addition, two of our OSOS staffers - Jackie Wheeler and Nick Pharris - were among 11 election administrators who were recognized for achieving Certified Election Administrator status. Congratulations to all of you!



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